

PWL and Wind Slab Avalanches in the S Madisons

Taylor Fork
Southern Madison
2/19/2025
Code
SS-N-R2-D2
Latitude
45.06070
Longitude
-111.27200
Notes

We saw up to five recent avalanches from the last few days. 1-2 looked to have failed on PWLs, and the rest were wind slabs. [Cornice](#) collapses triggered at least two of these avalanches.

1. [Cornice](#) triggered [wind slab](#) in Sunlight Basin
2. [Cornice](#) triggered avalanche in Sage Creek
3. Likely PWL avalanche W of Kirkwood Ridge, lower in Cabin Creek
4. Older [wind slab](#) SW flank, Sage Peak
5. Likely PWL avalanche backside of Sage Peak

Number of slides
5
Number caught
0
Number buried
0
Avalanche Type
Soft slab avalanche
Trigger
Natural trigger
R size
2
D size
2
Problem Type
Wind-Drifted Snow

Images

[Large Cornice Fall in Sage Creek](#)
[Recent large avalanche Taylor Fork](#)

Attached Videos

[Still finding unstable weak layers in S. Madison - 2](#)

Snow Observation Source

[Unstable weak layers in the S Madisons](#)

Slab Thickness units

centimeters
Single / Multiple / Red Flag
Multiple Avalanches
Advisory Year
[24-25](#)